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Federal Opportunities

Community Food and Nutrition Program. *The Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families* announces funds to improve the health and nutrition status of low-income persons through improved access to healthy nutritious foods or by other means including the integration of health and social services. State and local governments, nonprofit organizations, and universities are eligible. The deadline is May 25, 2001. Up to 50 awards will be made of no more than \$50,000 each. For further information, contact Catherine Rivers at (202) 401-5252. Also see <http://www.acf.dhhs.gov/programs/ocs/kits1.htm>.

Collaborative Community Actions to Prevent Youth Violence and Promote Youth Development. *The Department of Health and Human Services, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration* announces funds for developing youth violence prevention community collaboration and services and for implementing programs to prevent violence and promote youth development. Local government agencies such as law enforcement agencies and educational agencies, as well as nonprofit, community, and faith-based organizations are eligible. The deadline is May 16, 2001. Approximately 25-35 awards will be made for no more than \$200,000 per year. For more information, contact Malcolm Gordon at (301) 443-7713 or mgordon@samhsa.gov. Also see <http://www.samhsa.gov/grants/grants.html>.

Minority HIV/AIDS Mental Health Services. *The Department of Health and Human Services, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration* announces funds to expand the service capacity targeted to meet unmet mental

health treatment needs of individuals living with HIV/AIDS who are African-American, Hispanic/Latino, and/or other racial and ethnic minority communities. Nonprofit and community-based organizations that serve predominately racial and ethnic minority communities disproportionately impacted by the HIV/AIDS epidemic are eligible. The deadline is May 21, 2001. Approximately 15 awards will be made for \$400,000 each for up to five years. For more information, contact Mary Knipmeyer at (301) 443-0688 or mknipmey@samhsa.gov. Also see <http://www.samhsa.gov/grants/grants.html>.

Community Programs to Improve Minority Health. *The Department of Health and Human Services* announces funds to improve the health status of targeted minority populations through health promotion and disease risk reduction intervention programs via community-based coalitions. Nonprofit and community-based organizations are eligible to apply as the lead applicant for a coalition of at least three organizations. The deadline is May 18, 2001. Approximately 20 awards will be made for \$150,000 each. Contact Cynthia Amis at (301) 594-0769.

Bilingual/Bicultural Service Demonstration Program. *The Department of Health and Human Services* announces funds to improve and expand the capacity for linguistic and cultural competence of health care professionals working with limited-English-proficient minority communities in order to improve their accessibility and utilization of health care services. Nonprofit organizations with links to a health care facility are eligible. The deadline is May 18, 2001. Approximately 9 to 15 awards will be made for up to \$150,000 each. Contact Karen Campbell at (301) 594-0758 for information.

District Opportunities

Reading Excellence Act Program Grant. *DC Public Schools* announces a notice of funding availability for two components of the Reading Excellence Act Program Grant.

Approximately \$4.2 million will be awarded for Local Reading Improvement. DC Public School Local Education Agency (LEA) and the following Charter Schools (Arts & Technology, Edison Friendship and Meridian) with grades Kindergarten through third only are eligible to apply for LRI funds. More specifically, applicants must be either in Title I school improvement status, have the highest or second highest number of poor children in the LEA, or have the highest or second highest percent of poor children in the LEA. Applicant schools may use REA funds to support the cost associated with the implementation of a reading skills improvement program that it has proposed. REA funds must be used to supplement, and not supplant, Federal and local funds.

Approximately \$400,000 will be awarded for Tutoring Assistance. All DC Public schools and DC Public Charter Schools who currently operate tutoring models and have demonstrated success are eligible to apply for tutorial assistance. These models must be guided by scientifically based reading research and consistent with the LEA's curriculum. Applicant schools may use REA funds to support the cost associated with the implementation of a reading skills improvement program that it has proposed. REA funds must be used to supplement, and not supplant, Federal and local funds.

The Request for Application (RFA) will be released on April 3, 2001 and the deadline for submission is May 31, 2001 at 5:00 p.m. Applications can be obtained from 441 4th Street (Judiciary Square), NW, 400 South, Washington, DC, 20001. For additional information please contact the Office of Research and Analysis (ORA) at 202-727-7775. Also see http://www.cfo.washingtondc.gov/services/grant/funding_grants/index.shtm.

The Scientific Reading Research and Pre-Application Conference will be held on April 6, 2001, from 12:30 p.m.-4:30p.m for the Reading Excellence Act Program Grant.

AmeriCorps Partnerships. *The DC Commission on National and Community Service* has funds for AmeriCorps partnerships. AmeriCorps is a national service network that provides full and part-time opportunities for members to serve their communities and address local environmental, educational, public safety or other human needs. Local nonprofit organizations, institutions of higher education and District government agencies may apply to establish AmeriCorps programs. The deadline is April 23, 2001. There is \$500,000 available and each program will be funded based on a fixed amount per participant. Applications can be obtained from 441 4th Street, NW, Suite 1010 South, Washington, DC 20001. For additional information, call (202) 727-7925.

Last Call: Case Management/Care Coordination. *The DC Department of Health's Office of Maternal and Child Health* announces funds for services to improve the health and well being of women and infants in the District of Columbia. Nonprofit faith-based and community-based groups with strong ties to the target population of new families in Wards 1, 2 and 4 are eligible to apply. The deadline has been extended to April 3, 2001. Applications can be obtained from the Office of Research and Analysis, 441 4th Street NW, Suite 400 South, Washington, DC 20001. For more information, contact (202) 727-7775. Also see http://www.cfo.washingtondc.gov/services/grant/funding_grants/index.shtm.

Foundation Opportunities

Grants to Alleviate Hunger. *Mazon* requests letters of intent by May 15, 2001 from nonprofit organizations working to alleviate hunger including seeking effective long-term solutions to hunger, helping hungry people become self-reliant, and outreach and awareness efforts. Preference is given to those applicants that demonstrate a strong commitment to and participation in anti-hunger advocacy and education including efforts to improve the reach and effectiveness of government food-assistance programs. For more information, call (310) 442-0020, email mazonmail@aol.com or visit www.mazon.org.

Fine Arts Grants for Teachers. *The National Education Association's Foundation for the*

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Improvement of Education seeks applications from fine arts teachers (through their local NEA affiliate) to create and implement fine arts programs that promote learning by students at risk of school failure. Grants must serve public middle or high school students. The deadline is May 15, 2001. Ten grants will be made for \$2,000 each. For more information, call (202) 822-7840 or email info@nfie.org or visit www.nfie.org.

Resources & Announcements

Grant Writers Wanted. *The DC Office of Partnerships and Grants Development* is seeking experience grant writers who have been successful in writing and obtaining federal grants in various areas of social services and public policy, to be contracted on an "as-needed" basis for specific grant applications. Please send resume and/or capability statement to Luisa Montero-Diaz at fax (202) 727-1652 or email Luisa.Montero@dc.gov.

Mayor's Blue Ribbon Commission on Youth Safety and Juvenile Justice Reform in the District of Columbia. *Mayor Anthony A. Williams* has established a commission to study youth safety and the juvenile justice system and to make recommendations for their improvement. The commission is holding two public hearings in order to get input on those subjects from representatives of public agencies, community and faith-based groups and citizens. The meeting format will include small group discussions so that as many voices as possible can be heard. The next open meeting is scheduled for Thursday, April 5, 2001 at Anacostia Senior High School, 1601 16th Street, SE from 6:30pm to 9:30pm. For more information or to submit written comments, contact Ali Basir at (202) 727-2809 or ali.basir@dc.gov.

Save the Date for the Annual Partnerships Conference. *The Mayor's Office of Partnerships and Grants Development and the Support Center of Washington* have scheduled the 3rd Annual Partnerships Conference for Tuesday, July 24th, 2001 at the George Washington University's Marvin Center. Additional information will be forthcoming in Funding Alert.

Summer Food Service Program Orientation. *The DC State Education Office for Special Nutrition and Commodity Distributions Programs* in cooperation

with the Mayor's Office of Partnerships and Grants Development calls all nonprofit and faith-based organizations to participate in the Summer Food Service Program for children. If you have a summer program that serves children age 18 and younger from low-income areas you will be able to provide free nutritious meals (breakfast and lunch) and/or snacks to children in your programs. An orientation has been scheduled for April 5, from 2 – 4 p.m. at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Library, 901 G Street, NW, Room A-5, to provide you with more information. To RSVP your attendance or for more information call 202/576-7530.

Faith-Based Initiatives: Promises and Pitfalls. *The Inaugural Richard W. Snowdon Lecture sponsored by the Interfaith Conference of Metropolitan Washington in cooperation with The George Washington University* announces Ambassador Andrew Young on "Faith-Based Initiatives: Promises and Pitfalls." The event is scheduled for Thursday, April 5, 2001 at 7:30pm in the Lisner Auditorium, The George Washington University, 730 21st Street, NW, Washington, DC (near Foggy Bottom/GWU Metro stop). Seating is limited. Admission is free but tickets are required. To order up to ten tickets call (202) 234-6300 or email ifcmw@aol.com.

Discussion Forums @ CharityChannel.com. *CharityChannel* is the largest online community of nonprofit professionals. CharityChannel has over 40 discussion forums that cover all aspects of nonprofit development and management. One of the forums, DCMetro@CharityChannel.com is a general discussion forum for nonprofits, foundations, and community groups in the Washington, DC metropolitan area. Search the archives for tips on grant writing and fundraising. Visit www.CharityChannel.com.

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